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1. On 17 November 1954, about 5 Li-2s and 3 Po-2s were parked at Dresden-Klotzsche airfield. The engines of the Li-2s were covered by tarpaulins. Between 1230 and 1250, 3 Po-2s took off individually for local flights. Between 20 November and 11 December, no air activity was observed. 1

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2. The AA gun on the tower of the former Hansa building, in the southern part of the field was covered by a tarpaulin. No AAA personnel was seen near it. An AA gun emplacement which was surrounded by a barbed-wire fence was located between the former Dresden-Heller airfield which was divided into allotment gardens and Hellerau. The emplacement consisted of a temporary building, 20 to 25 meters long, an earthwall behind which 3 canvas-covered guns were seen and 2 radar sets of undetermined type behind the guns. 2

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3. Motor vehicle and trucks were seen in Dresden-Klotzsche.

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4. Repair work was being done on the board fence at the field.

5. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at the field between 3 and 13 December:

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3 December. At 1030, a Li-2 took off and disappeared toward the east. At 1200, a Li-2 landed at the field. About 1135, 3 Po-2s were aloft. While two of the aircraft circled the field widely, the third flew circles over the field and the former Luftkriegsschule. Until 1400, flights of 15 to 20 minutes duration were continuously made.

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6 and 7 December. No air activity was observed.

8 December. Between 1700 and 1800, 2 Po-2s made local flights at altitudes of about 300 meters.

11 December. No air activity was observed.

12 December. Between 1000 and 1300, 3 Po-2s were seen aloft with short interruptions. The aircraft made local flights and took off and landed at intervals of about 5 minutes. At 1230, 2 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s crossed over the field from west to east.

13 December. No air activity was observed. 1

1. Comment. The Po-2s stationed at Dresden-Klotzsche airfield are believed to be liaison aircraft of the headquarters of the First Gdr Army. Although Li-2s have been observed at the airfield since 9 September 1954, the take-off by an Li-2 was, for the first time, was observed on 3 December. The reason for the presence of Li-2s at Dresden is unknown.

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2. Comment. The AA gun on the tower of the former Hansa building was repeatedly observed. The two radar sets of type AA-1 M-2 and the AA gun emplacement on the Heller near Dresden was reported previously. It is believed that this is a training installation for an AAA unit of the Soviet army stationed in the former Hermann Goering Kaserne in Dresden.

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